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For: Human Protein HOFND85 (as amended herein)

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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2003 (Paper No. 3), please consider the following amendment, traversal, provisional election, and remarks. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendment prior to examination of the captioned application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) a Fee Transmittal Sheet; (b) **Exhibit A** (Conserved Domains analysis of Gene No: 29 and Human Protocadherin Beta 9); (c) an Information Disclosure Statement attaching Form PTO/SB/08 and copies of references A-S; and (d) a Supplemental Application Data Sheet.

Prior to examining the captioned application, Applicants respectfully request the entry of the following amendments.

- Amendment to the Title begins on page 2 of this paper;
- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper; and
- Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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**In the Title:**

Please delete the existing title and replace therefore:

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